

ABSTRACT

An optical fiber tape core comprises an optical fiber  
core assembly and a coating layer formed of silicone rubber  
5 and arranged on at least one side of the optical fiber core  
assembly. In the optical fiber core assembly, plural optical  
fiber cores two-dimensionally are arranged in parallel with  
each other. The silicone rubber which forms the coating layer  
has a hardness of from 20 to 90 and a tensile strength of from  
10 15 to 80 kgf/cm<sup>2</sup>.